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- 1. WE SEE NO NEED TO REVISE PAPS DECISION SHEET AS RECOMMENDED IN REF C. DECISION SHEET AS IT NOW STANDS (REF D) ACCURATELY REFLECTS DISCUSSION AT PAPS STUDY GROUP MEETING OF 7-8 JUNE, INCLUDING REVIEW OF NAPR PROCEDURES
- 2. IF THE NADREPS FEEL THAT PAPS STUDY GROUP'S ENDORSE-MENT OF NAPR COORDINATION TEAM WAS BASED ON INACCURATE REPORTING OF DISCUSSION AT 5 JUN NADREPS MEETING, NADREPS SHOULD HOLD A MTG TO CONSIDER THIS QUESTION AND COMMUNICATE CONFIDENTIAL

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THEIR CONCLUSIONS TO THE PAPS STUDY GP. WE WOULD THEN RAISE THE ISSUE AT THE NEXT PAPS STUDY GROUP MEETING.

3. IN OUR VIEW, THE NAPR COORDINATION TEAM SHOULD ASSIST THE ASYG DIRECTLY, AND THAT IS ALSO OUR READING OF THE INTENTION OF THE NADREPS AS REPORTED IN PARA 2 OF REF A. IN ANY CASE, THE POINT IS THAT IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE COORDINATION TEAM REPORT DIRECTLY TO ASYG WALSH, AND NOT

TO HIS STAFF AS WOULD BE THE CASE IF WE ACCEPTED THE

RECOMMENDED CHANGE TO THE PAPS DECISION SHEET. TO KEEP THE NAPR EFFORT ON TRACK AND TO TRY TO RECOUP SOME OF THE TIME LOST, WE MUST BE SURE THAT THE TEAM'S OUTPUT GOES DIRECTLY TO THE ASYG.

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